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FM AMEMBASSY LONDON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8781

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN

SUBJECT: INQUIRY FROM MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER RECEIVED BY AMBASSADOR
FROM GEOFFREY FINSBERG, MP. WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE
ON HOW BEST TO REPLY.

QUOTE:

DEAR AMBASSADOR: I AM HAVING SOME CORRESPONDENCE
WITH ONE OF MY CONSTITUENTS ON THE QUESTION OF COMPUL-
SORY WEARING OF SAFETY HELMETS BY MOTOR CYCLISTS AND
I SEND YOU AN EXTRACT FROM ONE OF HIS RECENT LETTERS.
WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE PLEASE TO LET ME HAVE SOME
FACTUAL INFORMATION ON WHAT HE HAS TO SAY?

ENCLOSURE:

IT WILL BE OF INTEREST TO YOU SURELY TO KNOW THAT
ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS BY THE HELMET LAW IS BEING
REPEALED VERY RAPIDLY IN THE UNITED STATES (STATE
AFTER STATE MORE OR LESS ON A MONTHLY SCALE) IS FOR
THE VERY REASON THAT IT HAS BEEN PROVED BEYOND ANY
SHADOW OF DOUBT THAT THE HELMET HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE
FOR A SERIOUS NUMBER OF MOTOR CYCLISTS' DEATHS. YOU
SEE IT REALLY IS A BAD LAW AND INCIDENTALLY HELMETS
ARE NOT COMPULSORY WEAR IN VERY MANY COUNTRIES WHERE

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Message Attributes

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